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NEW UNITED STATES UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION

under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

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Atty. Docket No. 10498-00059

REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUATION
OF AN INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION

CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10: The undersigned hereby certifies that this United States Patent Application and all papers noted herein as being attached, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 today, **November 13, 2003**, and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop Patent Application, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior international application number PCT/US02/15878, filed on May 20, 2002, entitled "Method for Determining Protein Interaction Inhibitors" which designated the United States; and which claims priority from U.S. provisional application number 60/291,901, filed May 18, 2001.

Enclosed herewith are the following papers for filing with the application:

Inventors (or application identifier): **Donald M. Coen and Beatrice D. Pilger**

Title of Invention: **METHOD FOR DETERMINING PROTEIN INTERACTION INHIBITORS**

1. ■ Specification 37 pages (including specification, claims, abstract) / 18 claims (3 independent).
2. ■ Declaration/Power of Attorney:
 - ☐ Copy from Prior Application (for continuation or divisional application)
 - ☐ Newly Executed Declaration (for CIP application)
 - Deferred under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f)
 - ☐ Deletion of Inventor(s) - Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
 - Incorporation by Reference - The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein
3. ■ 7 Distinct sheets of ■ Formal ☐ Informal Drawings

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4. ☒ Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
☒ Amend the specification at page one, after the title and the subheading "RELATED APPLICATIONS" by replacing paragraph one with the following paragraph:

--This application is a continuation of PCT application no. PCT/US02/15878, designating the United States and filed on May 20, 2002; which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/291,901 filed on May 18, 2001, the entire disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.--

5. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
☐ Form 1449
☐ A copy of each cited prior art reference
- 6 ☐ Assignment
☐ Assignment with Cover Sheet attached
☐ Assignment filed in prior application. Application assigned to:
7. ☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following application(s) (provisional and foreign applications):

Country	Application Number	Date of Filing (day, month, year)
U.S.	60/291,901	18 MAY 2001 (18.05.01)

8. ☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 based upon the following application(s):

Country	Application Number	Date of Filing (day, month, year)
PCT	PCT/US02/15878	20 MAY 2002 (20.05.02)

9. ☐ Priority document(s)
10. ☒ Small Entity Statement
☐ Small Entity Statement was filed in prior application, Small Entity Status is still proper and desired
☒ Small Entity status is being claimed hereby.
☐ is no longer claimed
11. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
☐ Computer Readable Copy
☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

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12. Calculation of Fees:

FEES FOR	EXCESS CLAIMS	FEE	AMOUNT DUE
Basic Filing Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a))			\$770.00
Total Claims in Excess of 20 (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))	0	18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims in Excess of 3 (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))	0	86.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))	0	290.00	\$0.00
Subtotal - Filing Fee Due			\$0.00
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Reduction by 50%, if Small Entity (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)	0.50		\$385.00
TOTAL FILING FEE DUE			\$385.00
Assignment Recordation Fee (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. § 1.21(h))		40.00	\$0.00
Petition to Accept Color Photographs		130.00	\$130.00
GRAND TOTAL DUE			\$515.00

13. PAYMENT is:

- ☐ The Commissioner is authorized to debit the instant filing fee, in the amount of \$____, and any other fees during the pendency of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18, to Deposit Account No. 19-0733. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.
- ☒ not included, but deferred under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f)

14. All correspondence for the attached application should be directed to:

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15. Other: Abstract of the Disclosure, Application Data Sheets (3 pages), and return postcard.

Date: November 13, 2003

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Enclosures

By: _____

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